# BALTIMORE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE

### OFFICE OF SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES REGIONAL PLANNING GRANT

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# SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES REGIONAL PLANNING GRANT

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# SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES REGIONAL PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM

- Supports metropolitan/multi-jurisdictional planning efforts to integrate housing, land use, economic & workforce development.
- Seeks partnerships that translate the Livability Principles into strategies for cross-cutting sustainable development.
- Grantees must develop and/or implement a Regional Plan for Sustainable Development (RPSD)
- Awards based on population with a max of \$5M

### 6 Livability Principles (+ 1)

- Provide more transportation choices
- Promote equitable affordable housing
- Enhance economic competitiveness
- Support existing communities
- Coordinate policies an leverage investments
- Value communities and neighborhoods
- Protect the Chesapeake Bay

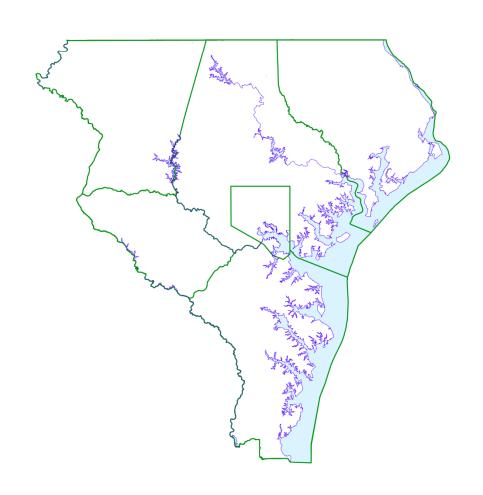
# FY2011 Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program

- 300 applicants
- 29 Awards
- Baltimore received \$3,503,677
- 5<sup>th</sup> largest award in the country



### Regional Overview

- Generally healthy region
  - Jobs
  - Housing
  - Income
  - Education
- Faring well during recession
- Pockets of Inequity



#### **BMC Project Summary**

- 3 year grant
- Link Transportation, Housing, Jobs
- Workforce Development Fund = \$500,000
- Demonstration Projects = \$750,000
- Cooperative Effort with state & local government, universities, and NGO's
- BMC is lead applicant and BMC Board ultimately adopts plan

#### Baltimore's 26 Member Consortium

(\* INDICATES REQUIRED CONSORTIUM MEMBER)

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#### NEXT STEPS FOR BMC

- 1. Work officially begins on February 15<sup>th</sup>
- 2. 60 Days Develop Work Plan
- 3. 120 Days Ratify MOU with all partners